American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of William Walling S1935
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State of Tennessee, Hawkins County

On the 30th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for said County of Hawkins and State aforesaid, William Walling, a resident of said County and State aged 73 years next Christmas day, old style, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed the 7th day of June 1832. That he was a volunteer in the year 1777 under General Joseph Martin. That he was ordered to Carter's Station in the Rye Cove, then North Carolina, in the month of September 1777, shortly after he was enrolled where he remained until the last of February 1778 and remained in service about six months or more. After which service, he returned home in Sullivan County, Tennessee where he remained a short time, when he was again ordered to a station at the mouth of Cooper Creek on Clinch River in the State of Virginia where he remained in service about three months. This declarant further states that in the spring of 1780, he served three months under the command of Capt Roger Topp at a fort near the mouth of Big Creek on the frontiers of the Holston [River] settlements and was discharged after which he enrolled as a volunteer under the command of Capt James Elliot in the summer of 1780 and marched under the command of Col Isaac Shelby for King's Mountain. On our March the troops under the command of Col Shelby were joined by Col Sevier [John Sevier], Col Campbell [William] Campbell] and others. The Army arrived at King's Mountain on or about the 7th of October 1780 at which time Col Ferguson [Patrick Ferguson] was defeated. After the surrender of the British and Tories, the principal part of Capt Elliot's company was sent on with the prisoners to Salem in North Carolina from which place he returned home after being in the service of the United States about five months and this declarant further states that early in the spring of 1781, he was ordered out under Capt Charles Morgan to guard the frontier and remained in the service six months ending about the last of September 1781. Shortly after which time, Capt Charles Morgan and his company was ordered to York town [Yorktown] Virginia with which company he marched and on their march, somewhere in Virginia, [they] received information of the surrender of Lord

Cornwallis and was ordered to return home. During which time declarant was in service one month making all together the time he was in service two years during the revolutionary war and this declarant further states that after the revolutionary war, he served on the frontiers against the Indians from one year to eighteen months in addition.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/William Walling, X his mark

S/W. B. Mitchell, D. Clerk

State of Tennessee Hawkins County

I William Snodgrass¹ of the County of Sullivan and State of Tennessee being duly sworn according to law state he has been acquainted with William Walling the applicant herein named since the commencement of the American revolutionary war And he knows he did reside in the frontiers during the whole time of the War that he was at the battle of King's Mountain in the year 1780 himself and also that the said William Walling was there and belonged to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Isaac Shelby -- as he then understood. And this deponent further states that the said William Walling was one of the inhabitants of the frontiers that all the inhabitants residing on the frontier that were able to bear arms were frequently called out the times herein stated by him, and further he has no doubt that the facts stated by William Walling in his declaration are true.

Sworn to and subscribed S/WB Mitchell, D. Clerk

S/ William Snodgrass

State of Tennessee Hawkins County: I Henry Blevins² of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee being duly sworn according to law states he has been acquainted with William Walling since his first recollection that he was himself a private in the Company commanded by Captain James Elliot in Colonel Shelby's Regiment at the battle of Kings Mountain on the guard the day of the battle -- and that William Walling was also a soldier in the same company and was in the engagement and went with the prisoners to Salem in North Carolina when the said Walling left the troops and returned home. And this deponent further states that he lived a near neighbor to said Walling during the whole of the revolutionary war that he knew of his being in service at different times as stated in his declaration and from his knowledge of all the circumstances of that time that he did perform the duty in the service of the United States as stated by him.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. S/ Henry Blevins, B his mark S/ WB Mitchell, D Clerk

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$76.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 23 months as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

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